DRAWING AMENDMENTS:

Please replace FIG. 1 on file with the labeled "Replacement Sheet" for FIG. 1 submitted herewith.

REMARKS

This case has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated April 22, 2005.

Information Disclosure Statement:

Concerning Soviet Union Patent 1,263,9002, Applicant does not have an English translation of the text of this documents. The title appears to have an English language equivalent of Device for Flow Aeration in Hydraulic Turbine Flow Path. From the images of this publication, this publication appears to be directed to air injection at the trailing edge of stay vanes.

<u>Drawings</u>

Concerning the objection raised under 37 C.F.R. 1.83(a), claims 7, 9, 21 and 23 have been canceled thereby overcoming this objection.

Concerning the objection raised under 37 1.84(p)(5), Figure 1 of the drawings has been amended to refer to reference numeral 36. Further Figure 1 has been amended to change the lead line for numeral 30 to point to the head cover. The Replacement Sheet for Figure 1 incorporates these changes and is labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the top margin.

Specification

Paragraph 25, lines 5-7 have been amended to clarify the meaning of the text.

Paragraph 30, line 2, number 2 has been changed to read number 3.

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Claims 5 and 19 have been canceled to overcome the objection raised

under 37 C.F.R. 175(d)(1).

Claims

Claims 5, 7, 9, 19, 21 and 23 have been canceled. Claims 10 and 24

have been amended as suggested by the Examiner to improve clarity. Claim 15

has been amended at line 2 to read passageway. The foregoing amendments

are believed to overcome all of the objections raised to the claims by the

Examiner.

Claims 1 to 4, 6, 8, 10 to 18, 20, 22, and 24 to 28 remain on file.

Allowable Subject Matter

The indication by the Examiner that the claims remaining on file contain

allowable subject matter is acknowledged.

Summary

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the application

is in condition suitable for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance

of all the claims on file is respectfully requested.

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